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Benoit De Crombrugghe, et al.

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For: HA4, A NEW OSTEOLAST-
AND CHONDROCYTE-SPECIFIC
SMALL SECRETED PEPTIDE,
COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS
OF USE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Preliminary Amendment in the above-referenced case. Consideration of this case in view of the amendments made herein is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 6.